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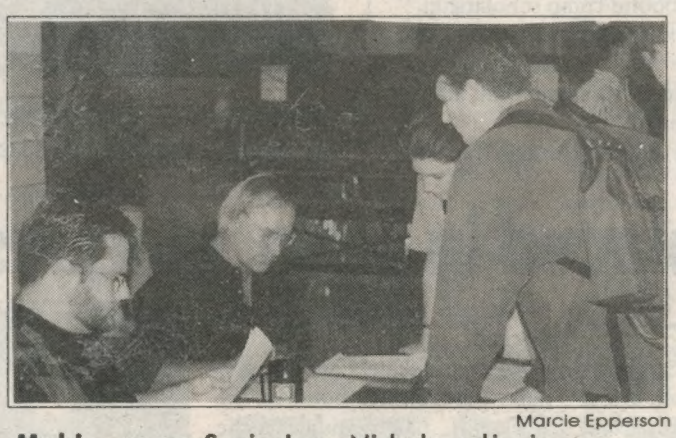
GEARING UP FOR NEXT YEAR

As the second semester begins, students will start making plans regarding their futures. *The Cardinal Times* takes a look at the planning process and offers this handy guide to forecasting.



Marcie Epperson

Making room: Senior Isaac Nichols and junior Katherine Kasameyer wait as Jim Peerenboom and Doug Morten add them to their class rosters.

Forecasting step by step

1 The **Forecast Fair** will be held **Feb. 10**, 8:20-9:10 a.m., giving freshmen, sophomores, and juniors the opportunity to learn more about next year's course offerings. Classes start for seniors at 9:15 a.m.

2 The **Cardinal Catalogue**, a listing of course offerings, and forecasting sheets will be passed out to students **Feb. 14**. Forecasting sheets will be collected at the end of the day.

3 Counselors will meet with students individually.
Freshmen: Feb. 18 & 21 in PE classes
Sophomores: Feb. 24, 25 & 28 in Health classes
Juniors: March 5 & 6 in English classes

4 All **forecast sheets** with final corrections will be turned in **March 12** to the data processing clerk by the end of the day.

Magnet program cuts admissions

BY LACH LITWER-MOS AND BRIAN SIMMONDS

Non-neighborhood students applying to Lincoln through the International Studies magnet are competing for fewer openings next year than ever before.

According to International Studies Center co-coordinator Helen Lawrence, as more housing is constructed in the Lincoln area, more local students will attend and fewer slots will be available for out-of-area students.

"I don't think that [the district administrators] realize how much Lincoln would change if it becomes the 'west side' school," said ISC co-coordinator Mimi Alkire. "The more west side it becomes, the less diversity we have, culturally, racially... the magnet kids are what make Lincoln so great."

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>
> Sally Scholz
> INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COORDINATOR

The International Studies Center was created in 1976, in part, to bolster Lincoln's sagging enrollment, according to Civics teacher David Bailey. Due to a consistent increase in neighborhood enrollment over the past few years, however, the program is being forced to reduce non-neighborhood admissions. Last year, it accepted 100 students, but approximately 75 will be accepted this year, although a final figure hasn't been set.

Many are concerned that this threatens Lincoln's atmosphere. "The difference the magnet has made at this school is immeasurable," said International Baccalaureate coordinator Sally Scholz. "It added diversity. It added breadth. It made it, in every way, a great example of a working urban public school: Richly diverse, perfectly located, with an incredible diversity of opinion and socio-economic groups.... [the admission reductions are] tragic."

A three-member committee, comprised of two teachers and an administrator, selects students using a systematic process. First, all applicants must meet basic criteria, including average or above-average grades, passing scores on graduation standards tests, and an interest in global affairs. Then, all neighborhood and racial minority applicants who meet the basic requirements are accepted.

Non-minority, non-neighborhood students undergo an additional selection process. They are classified in groups from the most qualified to the least. The final cut is made through a weighted lottery system, with a

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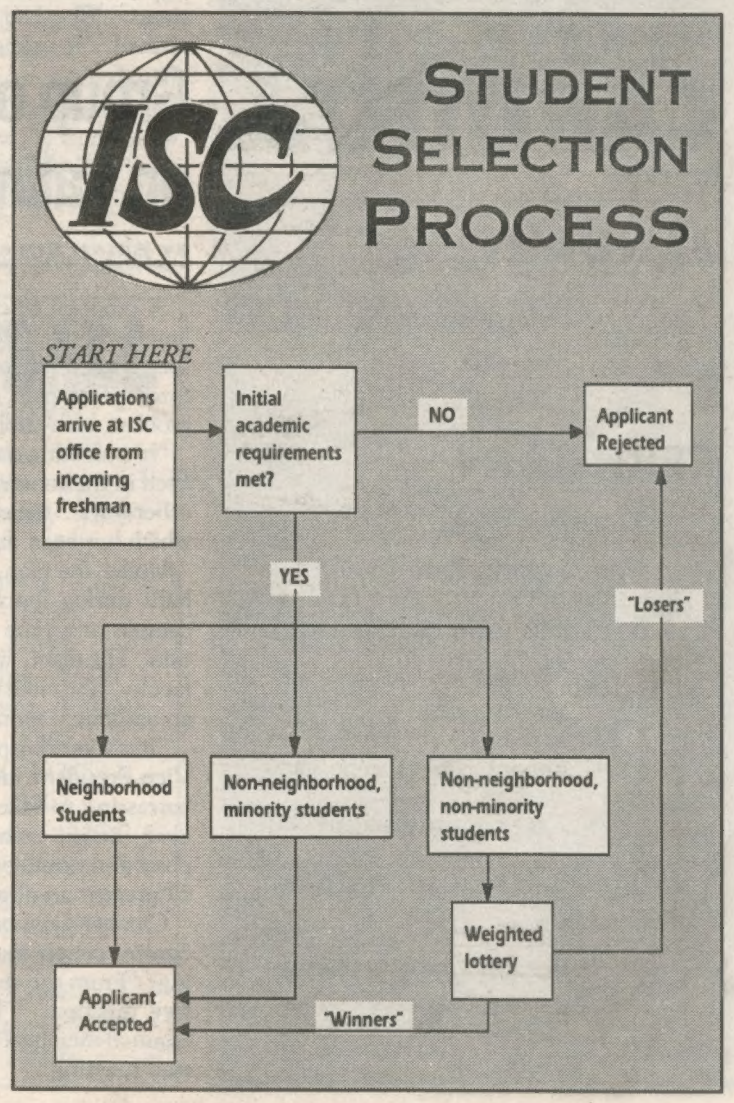


Community mourns death of former student

Members of the Lincoln community remember the life of Russian exchange student Abdusalom Usupov

BY JESSE HALSTEAD

Tears flowed at a memorial service for Abdusalom Usupov on Thursday, Jan. 16. Usupov, who was an exchange student here last year, was killed by a terrorist bomb on Dec. 12 in his home country of Tajikistan.

Abdu Usupov

"We just felt that people here needed to have some closure and a chance to express their feelings about Abdu and say good-bye," said International Perspectives teacher Pamela Hall, who organized the service.

Usupov had been working as an interpreter at a British-owned gold mine, when it was threatened by terrorists. He was evacuated to the capital city of Dushanbe and was in a phone booth when a bomb went off in front of a near-by building. Usupov was the only one killed in the explosion, no one has claimed responsibility for the bombing.

The country of Tajikistan was created in 1991 during the breakup of the USSR. It has been in civil war since, with several groups fighting for control. Despite a current cease fire, violence continues.

Usupov was here on the American Field Service program Freedom Support Act, that targets students from the former USSR. He was here all of last school year and stayed with several Portland-area families who attended the service. At the service a slide show of Usupov was shown. Close friends shared memories, and letters were read from other past exchange students who knew Usupov. Usupov's friends described him as a person who loved to smile and experience life.

Sally Ann Wells, who was Usupov's host mother for six months said, "He came a very scared young man and started smiling after he ate pizza for the first time."

CARDINAL sports

SPEECH TRIUMPHS AT GLENCOE

Still weary from finals, the speech and debate team won several events at the Glencoe Invitational tournament Saturday.

In debate, senior Aaron Knott won first place; senior Evan Hansen and junior Emily Cordo tied for second place, and a team consisting of junior Marissa Isaak and sophomore Lauren Costly took a third-place award. In speech events, junior Anna Campbell won first place in two events, Lauren Costly in one. Evan Hansen was a finalist.

"We were pleased, but not surprised," said Cordo, the Lincoln-Douglas debate captain. "Lincoln has won almost every tournament we've competed in this year. Now we just have to get the team ready for the last few tournaments, including state and national qualifiers."

SITE COUNCIL LIAISON APPOINTED

Junior Brian Simmonds was appointed the new Site Council representative on Jan. 10.

He was chosen by the Executive Council and serves as a liaison between the two groups.

"I am excited that I have been given the opportunity to define an important position between the Executive Council and Site Council," Simmonds said of his appointment.

The Site Council representative is a trial position created because the Site Council felt its interests needed to be represented with the Executive Council.

PERSONAL FINANCE WAIVER DENIED

The possibility of waiving the requirement of P.E. and Personal Finance classes for seniors in the '97-98 school year has been reconsidered. "We do not know what our staffing allocation will be for next year," said Curriculum Vice Principal Sandra Page, "We do know that the state does not have as much money as they hoped they would."

Superintendent Jack Bierwirth anticipated that the state would fund all schools to the '96-97 level, but the state's budget falls short of that. The state legislature does not want to keep the income tax kicker without a public vote, according to Page

Proposals to waive Personal Finance credit and to count participation in two PIL sports for P.E. credit were made last spring, but were never approved by the State Department of Education. "We can propose all the waivers we want to, but they must be approved by the state," said Page "We may have budget cuts next year, and we have to make difficult decisions about what to cut. The waivers may be reconsidered."

CARDINAL dates

JANUARY

31 • "Mini-Arena" class change, cafeteria

FEBRUARY

4 • LSAC meeting 7 p.m., Rm. 169

4-6 • Sophomore statewide direct writing assessments

5 • Junior College Parent Night 7 p.m., auditorium

8 • Booster Club Auction, 6 p.m. Smith Ballroom, Portland State University

10 • Schedule forecast fair

Auction to benefit school activities

BY AARON GREEN-MITCHELL

The annual Booster Club Auction will raise money for sports and activities Feb. 8 at 6 p. m. in the Smith Ballroom of Portland State University.

Proceeds from previous auctions have supported organizations including the speech team, Model United Nations and the Constitution team.

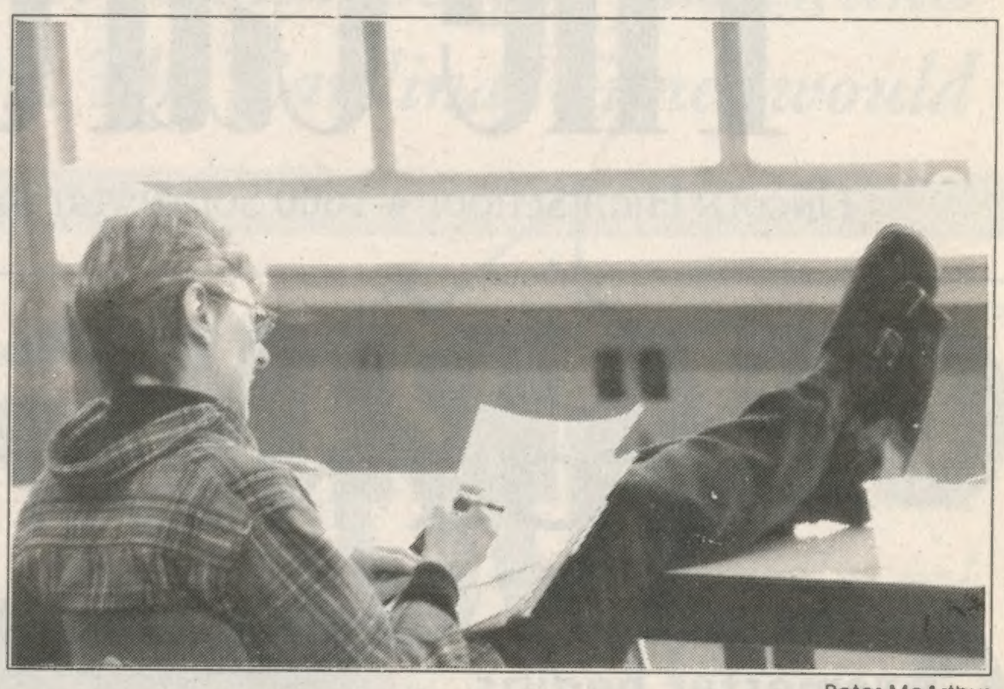
Auction coordinator Barbara Francis hopes profits will exceed last year's when the auction raised over $43,000.

"It would be wonderful to bring in that much. We're really optimistic," said Francis. Big- ticket items this year include a barge ride in the Columbia Gorge, a $1000 shopping spree at Norm Thompson, and an Outward Bound camp scholarship.

Tickets to the auction are $20 per person, and tables of eight people can be reserved for an additionaal $40. Francis estimated that attendance could top 400 people.

Auction items can be donated through the main office until Feb. 8.

MAKIN' THE GRADES



Peter McArthur

Kicking back: English teacher Sue West relaxes as she grades students' finals during the teacher in-service day last Friday.

Bricks placed in patio, plaques to come soon

BY AMY JENNARO

After two years of preparation and waiting, the Lincoln bricks have finally been installed around the flagpole.

The idea for the bricks came from 1995 Student Body President Larisa Pennington. After Pennington's graduation, ASB Vice President Jason Franklin, junior, took over the brick project and determined the future of the 450 bricks.

Because of the rain, Franklin is waiting for the plaques, which bear the name of the individual or group who ordered the brick, to be installed. But Franklin is optimistic about the delay. "I'm very happy because at least the bricks are installed," he remarked.

A group of skateboarders, who make Lincoln their home on the weekends, have vandalized the area and this has raised fears about the bricks being destroyed. Vice Principal Paul Erickson, who worked with Franklin on the project, seems confident that the bricks can be protected from damage. "I am hoping that the bricks, because of their rough surface, will [discourage] the skateboarders," he said.

The brick project has raised about $9500, that will support clubs which need the money. A dedication ceremony will take place after the plaques are installed.

Peter McArthur

Bricks: A bicycle rider enjoys the new bricks placed around the flagpole over winter vacation.

ISC: Cuts on admissions imminent

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higher percentage of acceptances coming from the more qualified groupings.

Lawrence defended the method, saying, "ISC is not an elitist program." Alkire added, "We don't want to just take the top. We want to take kids from the whole spectrum."

Some students object to the notion that they could be selected for admission on basis of their race. Junior Jamey Espinoza believes he was admitted over a friend by virtue of his minority status. "She had better grades," Espinoza explained. "It sickens me that I was accepted over her because of my minority status. . . . I find it insulting that people think I need a handout or can't compete with others based on my skin color."

The trend of ISC non- neighborhood admissions reductions aren't likely to be reversed soon. According to Lawrence, the number of students coming from West Sylvan is expected to remain fairly consistent over the next three years.

Group outlines ban on eating in hallways

BY BRIAN SIMMONDS

A proposal to close the halls to eating during lunch will be presented to the faculty Jan. 30 by the School Climate Committee, which wrote the three point plan designed to solve a perceived problem with trash on campus.

"It's an embarrassment to a school that prides itself in the achievement of excellence in so many other ways," the committee wrote in its proposal, which has been distributed to the staff.

Under the plan, students caught eating in the halls during lunch will be forced to clean the campus at a time designated by the administration. The team, which is comprised exclusively of faculty, also cited increasing teacher frustration as an additional motivation to resolve the issue.

"It is a very big problem," agreed Student Body Vice President Jason Franklin. "It's really embarrassing to take people into Lincoln." However, he isn't wholeheartedly backing the proposal and would prefer that the Executive Council present an alternative.

Climate Committee chairman Alan Ellis recognizes people may object to the proposal, saying, "From the students, I've had mostly negative reactions." He plans to invite Executive Council members to present their opinions at the staff meeting.

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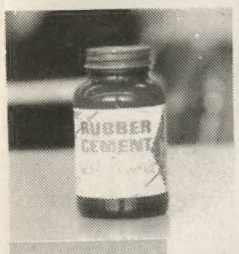

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Now that winter is here, the entire student body is simply grasping for the strongest adhesive. While many have chosen bonding agents that taste, smell, or just look good, The Cardinal Times' crack team of highly skilled scientists is taking a more objective look at those sticky substances that hold life together. So if you are burnt on hot wax, stung by staple guns, or just can't figure out what to do with a clogged tube of "SHOO GOO," please read on.

Our independent laboratory tests are conclusive. Yes, we tested and we tested. And then we tested again. And now, all the data appear to agree: the greatest adhesive of all is... White Paste.

But before the results are revealed in their entirety, the rationale for judging must be explained. Our panel of qualified glue critics examined the samples, keeping the following criteria in mind: appearance, odor, miscellaneous, and bonding power.

Our panel was greatly impressed by paste, the all-around wonder. In the appearance category, it won hands-down. It not only had a smooth white look, but maintained its color after being mixed with chicken soup. In the odor category, white paste won again, bringing back fond memories of elementary school art projects and, as one tester found, it numbed the tongue considerably upon contact. Unbelievably, paste caused no harmful effects when inhaled, which cannot be said of our other samples.

After studying white paste, we determined that there was no way it could be an organic substance; it was simply too perfect. Even the paste's packaging was top-notch, with an unbreakable container and a built-in "flexible spreader." So after playing with the paste and the packaging for a few hours, we didn't really care how sticky it was; this paste had won.

Rubber cement, on the other hand, does not look good, does not smell good (except for those of you who like that sort of thing), and had no outstanding features, but it stuck well. And it came with a built-in brush. It received second place in our tacky game of stickability.

Next on the list, glue sticks are simply white paste with funny packages. Our panel was confused, however. What could be more innovative than a lid with a built-in "flexible spreader?" Glue manufacturers have made a huge mistake with this one. We gave it third.

We also reviewed products that are notoriously cohesive, such as honey. Honey has a nice color, seems sticky enough to rival paste in the adhesiveness category, and tastes really good.

The same can be said of mucilage. This prehistoric glue is actually made of real horses, which explains its consistently disgusting color. We liked the applicator tip, but in the end, none of us could bring ourselves to touch what we considered to be liquid Mr. Ed.

THE ENTERTAINMENT STRIP

BY MARCIE EPPERSON

FILM EVITA

"The most anticipated movie of the year?" "Evita," has answered the long awaited question: Can Madonna really do it? Portraying Eva Perón as she rises from a daughter of the poor to the wife of Argentine President Juan Perón, the answer is yes.

It takes a while to adjust to the Material Girl playing, well, a material woman, but her famous vocal cords make up for any glitches in her acting.

Nevertheless, it is Antonio Banderas who steals the screen by putting a sarcastic, often humorous tone into this heavy film.

Unfortunately, poor sound quality and powerful background music take away from the talent of Madonna's singing and Banderas' acting. Muted out background sounds and added orchestrated music all gave the feeling that characters were lipsyncing to prerecorded lyrics. All dramatic feeling was therefore lost.

Everything about the film seems overly rehearsed, taking away from the intensity of the drama and making the entire story hard to believe. Combined with prolonged and often boring dialogue, the only thing I found myself anticipating was the ending.

★★

Coming soon: Reviews of "Dante's Peak" and "Inventing the Abbots."

★★★★ Best ever! Worth your life savings!
★★★ Pretty darn good! Break the piggybank!
★★ Ok! Maybe worth a week's allowance!
★ Skip it! Not worth spare change!

SUPER 7

Excuses for not doing well on finals

7 The guy next to me got the wrong answers.

6 The voices in my head distracted me.

5 I was nearly trampled by wild hogs.

4 I'm a leper.

3 My teacher has it in for me.

2 The fumes from my hairspray made me dizzy.

1 You mean you weren't supposed to make designs in the bubbles?

Lincolnalities

★ Dave Peixotto, senior
ACTOR

Q: What part did you play in "The Nerd," the most recent advanced drama class production?
A: I played Rick Steadman.
Q: What is your next project?
A: I'm in "The Prime of Miss Jean Brody"
Q: Are you interested in anything besides acting?
A: I am going have my first directing opportunity with "Still Life," a play about Vietnam. It's a Lincoln drama production.
Q: How long have you been acting?
A: I have been acting for three years.
Q: What sort of future are you planning?
A: I would like to pursue a career in theatre.
Q: What has been your best or favorite acting experience?
A: My favorite acting experience was in "The Nerd" that just finished.

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Cloudy skies

Forecast scheduling begins next month, brings woes for all

As the first semester comes to a close, counselors and administrators are beginning the long process of planning the academic planning and forecasting for next year. The upcoming year will be especially difficult, with the possibility of more budget shortages and enrollment increases looming on the horizon.

Next year may be especially difficult with the possibilities of budget shortages.

We applaud our counselors and administration for their continuing effort to provide students with their necessary classes despite difficult, unpredictable factors beyond their control.

As we approach September, we will be better able to understand the far reaching impacts of higher enrollment and less funding on the school.

Therefore, we call upon students to raise their awareness of these issues that will most certainly affect their academic lives. The next close of first semester might not be as smooth as the one we just experienced.

Reflections

Student's death impacts us all

While most students never knew Abdusalom Usupov personally, his untimely death sends a profound message to us all. The former exchange student was killed last month by a terrorist bombing in a phone booth in his native Tajikistan.

The death came as a shock, especially for those who knew him, but it is a frigid reminder of the dangers that exist outside of our sheltered school environment.

To many students, the extent of suffering experienced is limited to taking difficult finals or having a spat with friends. But the dangers faced regularly by Usupov should, if nothing else, make us consider our fortunes. To some, a drastic emergency denotes missing a viewing of their favorite MTV program, but to Usupov, the looming danger of death must have keyed into his consciousness daily.

As semester grades enter our lives this week, we must recognize the insignificance of our worries when placed against a larger world view. While a slightly lower GPA might seem like the end of the world to some, to others that grim reality is only as far away as a phone booth.

THUMBS UP TO:

- ❖ 'The Nerd': We laughed, we cried, we saw it three times! Another fine drama production.
- ❖ A new semester: A clean slate for most, an empty slate for seniors.

THUMBS DOWN TO:

- ❖ Hall closures: Haven't we heard this before?
- ❖ Awkward locker signs: If you can't say anything clever, don't say anything at all.

YOU TILT THE THUMB ON:

- ❖ The Association for Student Unity: It's been awfully quiet lately...

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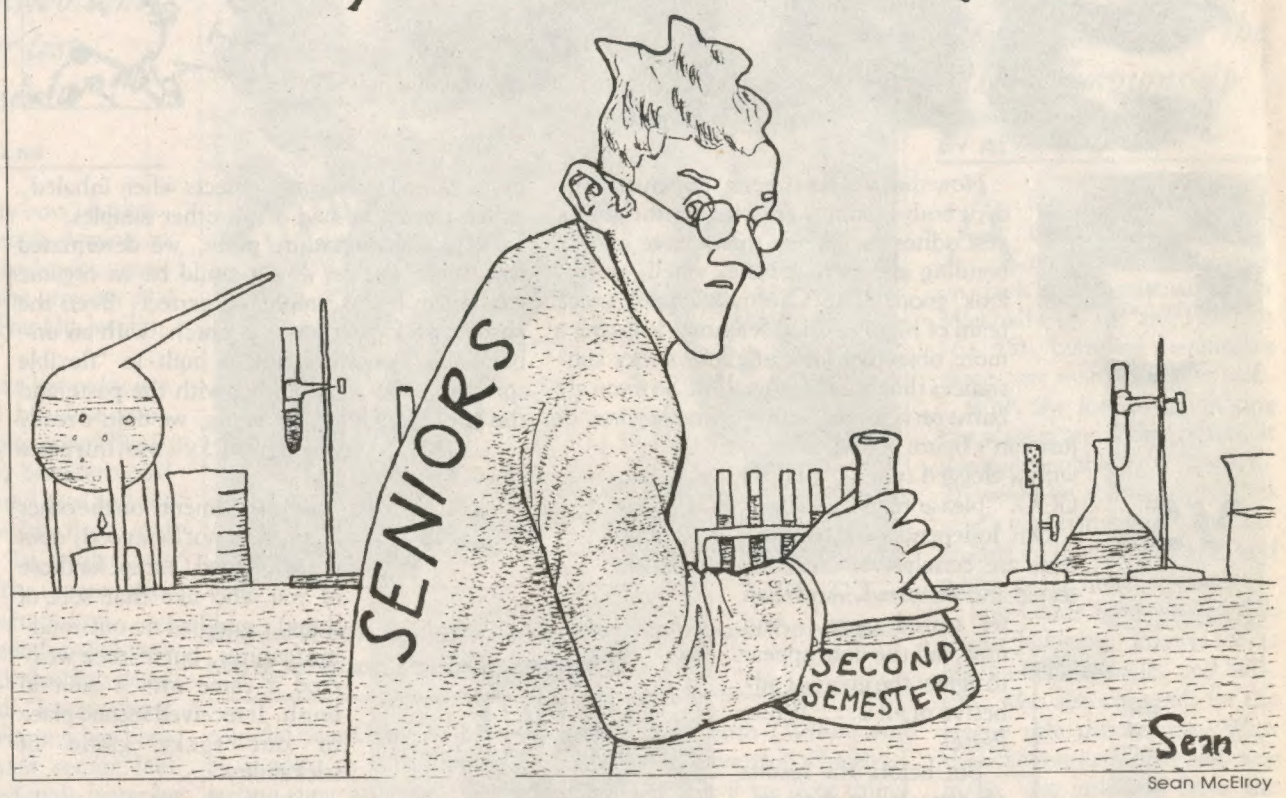

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Sip from the frothy mug of optimism

ZACH *Vanderkooy*

Is the school year half full or half empty? This is the question we must ask ourselves as we exit one semester with cautious feelings of accomplishment, and enter another with drowsy expressions and saturated intellects.

To some, the progression of the year will forever be a dreaded endeavor. The pessimistic "I can't wait until it's over" attitude is prevalent among the half empty crowd, who only wish to "finish out their sentence" as students and won't hesitate to inform you about it.

Try listening to one sometime. You'll be asleep faster than a second-semester senior in zero-period Calculus.

We don't need this kind of soporiferous behavior in a school where the majority of the student body already considers Vivarin to be an essential part of a well-balanced diet.

On the other hand, those who choose to view the school year as half full are much appreciated. The balance of the year promises to be overflowing with exciting events and opportunities, most of which I will make an effort to be casually aware of. It's not that I'm only half conscious with regards to school events, but that I seem to only have the capacity to remember the unimportant ones. Most people over 30 say their high school memories are a blur. Maybe I'm ahead of my time, but my high school memories already consist of a pleasant blur, and I haven't even graduated yet.

Nonetheless, let us keep a positive attitude as we enter the second half of the year. The reassuring outlook can only benefit the atmosphere of the school, and no one really cares about your problems anyway. So, as you peer into that frothy glass of liquid scholarship, just remember, the year is only as full as you choose to see it.

Cheers.

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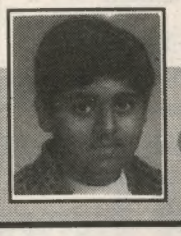
Personal Finance credit on its way back



WASIM *Rahman*

I'm annoyed with our administration. I feel like I have been tricked, and I believe that many other juniors like myself have the right to be frustrated.

Last year, sophomores (juniors now) were barred from forecasting for Personal Finance, a semester-long state requirement. We were told initially that the school had requested a waiver from the Oregon Department of Education for Personal Finance requirement for all juniors. Practically everyone assumed that the request had been granted by the state. According to the administration, there was nothing to worry about. In fact, there were two good reasons to celebrate. First, the waiver meant that we had one less class to deal with, and second, it meant that we could take another semester of something new.

Just recently, I was told that the request has been denied. The majority of juniors I know, including myself, are now desperately seeking other methods to obtain credit. Some have taken credit by exam, others are planning to take it during summer school, just to keep the classes they want for next year.

I'm irritated that all this time has been wasted, and now many of us are in a bind. I had already made plans for my next two years of high school, and now I have to spend my summer at summer school.

My message to the administration is this: Don't make promises you can't keep. At the least, ensure that what you are saying is what is really what's being heard. If you weren't sure that the waiver request would be granted, you should have made it clear that it was only an effort to allow last year's seniors to fulfill their requirement, in the hope that additional funding would come later to provide for the classes to come. The primary reason why so many of us are anxious is because of the miscommunication between us and the administration.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

PTA party patrol ignores students' responsibility

To the Editor:

With regards to the article in the Dec. 18 issue of The Cardinal Times entitled "PTA addresses student parties," I had to chuckle a bit at the naivete of the parents who attended the meeting. Being a parent at Lincoln, I'm privy to a number of "unsupervised" parties held every weekend, and there are always some going on.

I was particularly interested in the quote from state trooper Craig Durbin, who said, "You have kids at these parties who don't have values or morals..." It struck me as interesting how the trooper didn't mention a thing about lack of maturity, lack of respect, or lack of common sense. My question to the PTA is, if parents are so concerned about these rogue children, why are they leaving them home alone?

I feel mild pity for those parents whose children are conning them into seeing past the thrashed car and the beer cans under the furniture, and leaving them alone for the weekend. I guess I'm lucky to have a child who asks me if I will leave so she can have a party. I know that she and her friends have enough respect for our house and themselves to not behave in a destructive manner.

I guess my suggestion to parents would be to wisen up. Teach these children "values and morals" and there won't be the need for neighbors spying on one another.

- Kesa Hopkins, parent

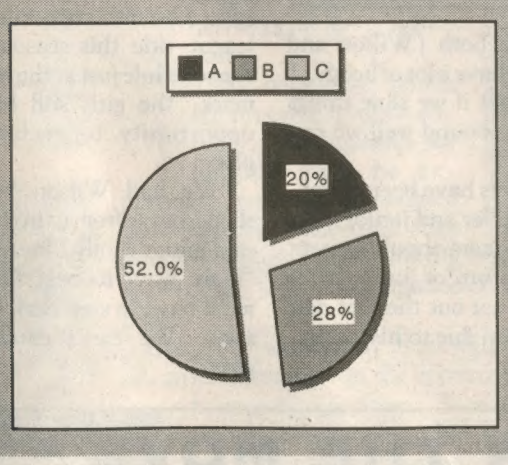
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Return of lost wallet shows honesty still alive and well

VOICES IN THE HALLS

If you found a wallet on the street with $50 inside, would you...

A) Give it all back?
B) Give back the wallet and keep the money?
C)Keep it all?

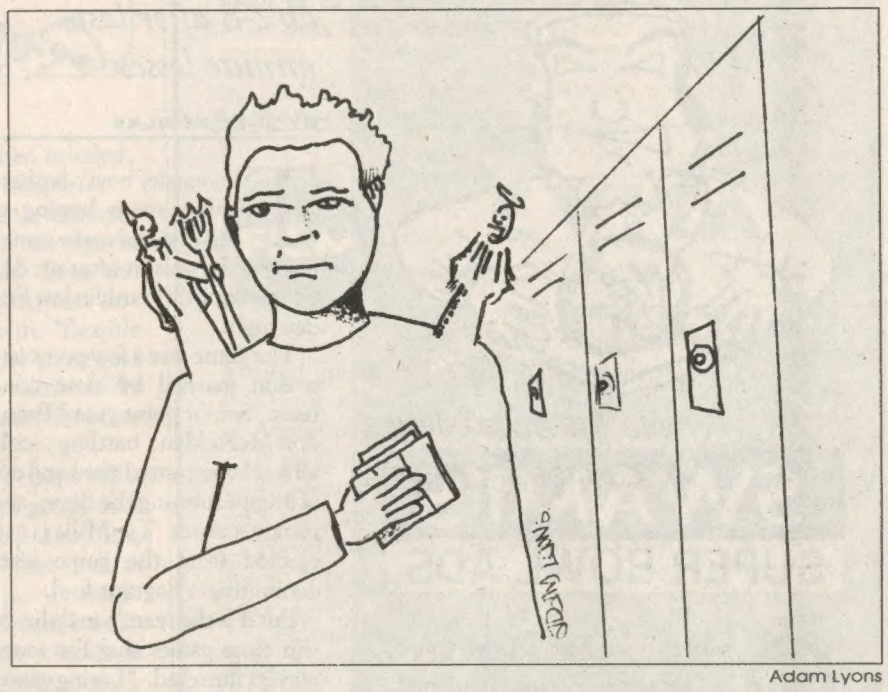


NOLAN *Lienhart*

Over the holiday break, I had a humbling experience. I lost my wallet. On Christmas day. We had driven to Tacoma, Washington (to Grandmother's house we went) that morning, and home that night. It was not an abnormal situation to lose a wallet, and after searching house, car, and the usual trace-your-route spots, I gave up. It was to cost me $40, plus the cost of a new wallet. I was going to need to replace my bankcard, my drivers permit, checks adding up to $75 and an assortment of other cards and things. More than the $40, was the realization that I was going to have to replace most of the rest of its contents.

One week and two days later, it appeared on my doorstep. The battered wallet looked like it may have lain on some street or parking lot for days, endured the freezing rain, and had been run over by more than a few cars. But inside, there were two $20 bills, a bankcard, the checks. There was no note; nothing. It had just been plopped there in the night by some honest Abe.

The possibility that this person may have found my wallet nearly 150 miles north made the deed even greater. I was grateful, and thankful, to a person who asked for no recognition, no reward.



Adam Lyons

The incident made me think. Was this a result of the Christmas spirit? Was this person riddled with the guilt of taking my money on Christmas day?

In a society where we are bombarded with messages that tell us the world is full of crime and dishonesty, and that we are to watch our every move in the lurking night, it really surprised me. Was this a freak incident, or are most people that decent?

I was grateful to a person who asked for no reward.

One way or another, although I am left with a better feeling about the state of honesty in 1997, I am more affected in the way that if there was ever any hesitation on my part regarding the dilemma of whether or not I would keep or return a lost wallet, that hesitation has been erased.

SPECIAL COLUMNIST

ISC admission cuts threaten excellence

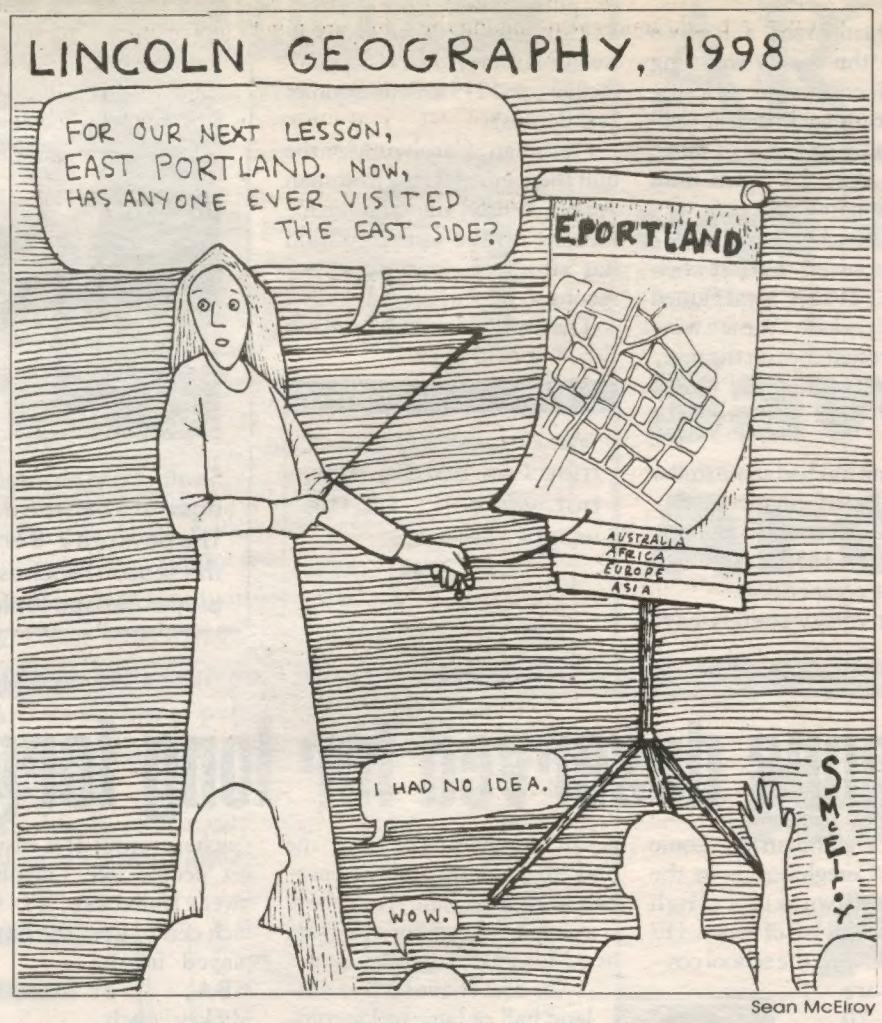
BRIAN *Simmonds*

Although most students have most students have bouts of dissatisfaction with Lincoln, there's a strong sense that it's different from the vast majority of other high schools. It is special for several reasons, but intellectual excellence has always stood out.

But that is threatened. Not by budget cuts or a failed offensive in the war on drugs, but by new housing perched atop the West Hills.

With new houses come new families, and thus children. As those children grow older and more neighborhood students continue to fill our classrooms, fewer who live outside the boundaries can be admitted through ISC. If this trend continues as expected, Lincoln will become a very different school.

Preserving the mixture of neighborhood and non-neighborhood is crucial if we hope to maintain whatever diversity we've created. This goes beyond racial diversity, which, luckily, seems like it will be preserved. It stretches to differences in socio-economic status and life experience, both of which have incalculable educational and social value.



Sean McElroy

But even more alarming is the impact that holds for the state of our motivated student body. Non-neighborhood students are absolutely essential to our student leadership, as they tend to account for a disproportionate number of Lincoln's pacesetters. The student body president and all three of the student members of the Site Council live outside the attendance area, for example. Eastsiders are also prominent figures in activities, including the two most substantial of mine, speech and The Cardinal Times. Both of the co-editors-in-chief of this paper and the speech team president live outside the Lincoln attendance area.

Our top notch academic program also depends upon non-neighborhood students for its success. The International Baccalaureate program along with the overall college prep curriculum are a substantial draw for many people.

Not only is it unfair to deny individuals the opportunity to participate in these programs, it will weaken these programs substantially if they are unable to attend.

Although growing, the number of students willing to put in the work that IB requires isn't great. And in this era of shrinking budgets, its expense may become difficult to justify if participation in the program declines.

If this seems alarmist to you, that's because it is. This is an issue that must be addressed. Now.

The number of non-neighborhood admissions to ISC is continuing to decline. The district has neglected to act. People who care about Lincoln must discover a solution and convince those who could implement it to do so.

Those who transfer to Lincoln tend to be highly motivated individuals who are extremely successful. I don't know where Lincoln would be without them. Unfortunately, we may soon find out.

PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Haven't you heard? Immaturity runs amuck

MARCIE *Epperson*

"If you haven't heard yet, Person A and B were at Person C's house Friday night and Persons D through Z were thoroughly astonished when Persons A and B were found [fill in the blank] while in a drunken haze."

How old are we? Much of the time, I think some of us are about six. Or at least our maturity makes it seem like we are.

Rumors: we hear them in the halls, bathrooms, and locker rooms.

I must admit that sometimes rumors seem just too good to pass up. But true or untrue, we ought to think more about what results from the spread of this gossip.

Probably most seldom thought of, yet easiest to understand reason not to gossip, is that it isn't any of our business.

Most of the time, the rumors we pass along have nothing to do with us. The majority of them are spread by people who hear and tell, but don't have a clue about the truth because they weren't there.

A bike turns into a car, turning then to a Porsche and finally ends up as a bus. All truth, if there was any to begin with, is lost, proving why a rumor is just that.

Although it doesn't seem like a big deal to the rumor passers reputations can be ruined, and friendships can be lost. No one deserves that.

Often, we don't have respect for the targets of these rumors and thus have an attitude of "Who cares?" or "It's funny to US." What we don't always think of is that not only are the targets hurt, but often their friends are hurt as well.

The first thing we should ask ourselves before passing rumors is: "What do I get from telling this?" The act of gossiping is usually not worth the amazement on the faces of audience after five minutes.

And isn't that why we tell rumors? For the laugh? For the recognition of knowing a secret you're not suppose to know? Why do we?

Before you spread rumors, ask yourself why you care, and before you tell your buddies, ask yourself why they should care.

Even if you don't know the person, give them this bit of respect. After all, they deserve it. You would want that from them if you were in their situation. Because the possibility is just as great that next time, Person A or Person B could wind up being you.

THE

JOCK STRIP

SWAMI'S SUPER BOWL ADS

Over the weekend the crystal ball spent its time collecting dust on its shelf as I molded myself into my Miller Lite inflatable chair soaking up the intense commercialism of Super Bowl Sunday.

Despite my disappointment with the outcome of the game, I was able to compose this list of Swami's picks of the highly anticipated ads. From pooping pigeons to puppet piggies, here are the top 10 product promotions.

10 BAKED LAYS- Miss Piggy
The last thing you want to see on Super Bowl Sunday is a stuffed pig getting hit on.

9 THE GOOD GUYS
Although slightly funny and the potential for a top spot, it lacked the superstar quality to bring it up to caliber for Super Bowl Sunday.

8 VISA CHECK CARD - Bob Dole
Following the long-forgotten Deion Sanders ad, this expensive sequel did little to revive a mildly amusing campaign.

7 BUDWEISER- copy machine
In reality this would be much appreciated, but on the screen it was highly predictable. Its overall effect was snubbed by the other Bud ads.

6 NIKE- Lil' Penny
You'd think this ad would be better when you've got every Nike-endorsed athlete together in one room. We were looking forward to seeing more of Tiger and Griffey Jr. and less of Lil' Penny riding on Tyra Banks' shoulder.

5 PEPSI- cows
This ad was well thought out, but at the most was just amusing. The ending put it into the top 5.

4 NISSAN- driving dogs
Despite originality and the obvious amount of effort that went into this ad, it doesn't quite have enough humor to overtake its pigeon counterpart.

3 BUDWEISER- hamster
If a bottle of Budweiser can motivate a hamster to power a city, think what it can do to you.

2 BUDWEISER- chicken
You have to give a Number 2 ranking to an ad that finally answered the question of why the chicken crossed the road.

1 NISSAN- pigeon bombing
The top spot goes to the ad that said the least about the company's product, and provided the most originality and humor.

B-ball reaches mid-season

The boys hit bottom at 2-8 after last-minute losses

BY JOEL FOWLKS

The varsity boys' basketball team is hoping to regroup and make something of its season after an 81-57 spanking by Franklin last Friday night.

The game was a low point in a season marked by close contests. Senior point guard Brandon McFadden, battling a cold all week, appeared tired and out of breath running the floor, and junior center Ty Miller was ejected from the game after commiting a flagrant foul.

But it is the team's inability to win close games that has many players flustered. "Losing games we should be winning has been frustrating," said senior Joel Sahli. "We need to do better in the final minutes." The Cards have lost many close games in league play, including against Madison and Marshall, coming after buzzer-beating shots. Senior Ford Montgomery scored 23 points in the Madison game and 30 in the Marshall game to lead all scorers. However, Lincoln did beat Grant on Jan. 17 by a point in a thrilling last-second game at home.

It doesn't get any easier. Tonight, the Cardinals (2-8) travel to Benson to play a tough Techman team that ransacked Lincoln 64-39 in their last meeting. On Friday, Lincoln faces Roosevelt, who beat the Cards 81-66 earlier this season.

Montgomery remains optimistic. "They both (Wilson and Roosevelt) have a lot of height," he said, "but if we slow things down and rebound well we can stay close."

Key players have been Montgomery, Miller and junior Alex Clay. The team should benefit from the return of junior Mike Dyal, who sat out the first part of the season due to his ineligibility.

Marcie Epperson

Dishin' it out: Senior Gina Pieretti tries to move the ball past two of Jefferson's quick defenders.

Despite two losses, the girls battle for the PIL Championship

BY ALEX HUGHES

After early season doubts, the girls' basketball team appears to be back on track with recent wins over Marshall (44-34) and Franklin (61-55), bumping them into a three-way tie for second place.

With the loss of graduating key players and a new coach, it was questionable if the Cards (8-2) would be able to repeat last year's successful season that included a PIL championship and a fifth-place finish at State.

The Cards have lost to PIL leader Jefferson, known for its quick offensive style, and Wilson, who also contends for the league title this season. With the schedule just at the mid-way mark, the girls still have the opportunity to reclaim first place.

"We had Wilson but they slipped away from us in the end," said junior Molly Montgomery. "If we want to beat Jefferson, we'll have to step back into our zone. We can't catch those girls."

Injured wrestlers add up to losses

BY JOEL FOWLKS

With last night's loss to Franklin, the varsity wrestling team has continued a losing streak dating back to last season. Injuries and lack of turnout have kept the Cards from winning a match this year.

The team came close to defeating Roosevelt, but lost when Ben Allen (215 lbs.) was pinned in the first period. "We are winning lots of matches on the mat, but we can't fill all the weight classes," said senior Toby Coghill.

The team has had some stellar individual performances. Seniors Jesse Aronson (134 lbs.) and Coghill (185 lbs.) are 5-0 in District competition.

Several varsity starters have been injured, including 151-lb. junior Hunt Miller (twisted ankle), sophomore heavyweight Armin Halston (appendicitis), and 119 lb Peter Bodmer (tendenitis).

Freshman Carolyn Monroe quit the team, leaving freshman Amber Wilson the only female member on the squad. Wilson has struggled, posting a 1-5 record so far this season.

The Cardinals host Cleveland Feb. 4 at 6:30 p. m.

FOR THE RECORD

"We are winning lots of matches on the mat, but we can't fill the weight classes."

Toby Coghill
senior

ON THE MOVE

Marcie Epperson

Senior Ford Montgomery takes the ball to the hoop against a Benson defender in the Card's 64-39 loss. The boys are 2-8 and hoping to improve their record as the season reaches its mid-way mark. The varsity boys play at Benson tonight.

SPORTS CO -EDITOR

Honors deserved for long forgotten heroes

My grandfather, Louie Cereghino, is in the Milwaukie High School Sports Hall of Fame. His association with the school covered more than 70 years. He graduated from MHS in 1932. Over the years, he attended thousands of sporting events and was on the "chain gang" (moving the first-down markers) during football games for several years. People called him Mr. Mustang (the Milwaukie mascot), because he knew more about Milwaukie sports than anyone. When he died in 1995, there were proposals to rename the gym, the basketball court, and the baseball fields after him. Now there is a plaque forever honoring him as a Milwaukie legend.

JOEL Fowlks

We don't have such an athletic hall of fame at Lincoln. During the 125th year celebration, we were given a lot of Lincoln sports memorabilia, but there was no effort to create a hall of fame or chronicle the decades of athletic history. We're lucky to have a rich sports history which many schools lack. A school more than 125 years old has to hold a lot of memories. What happens to them when students graduate and teachers retire? It is easy to forget people like Lincoln grads Swede Halbrooke, a 7-foot, 3-inch center from the Fifties who played in the NBA, or Mickey Lolich, who pitched for the Detroit Tigers in the Sixties. But the purpose of a hall of fame is also to remember people like my Grandfather, people who contributed greatly to the program but weren't star athletes: coaches, trainers, fans, or other people who might otherwise be forgotten.

We're lucky to have a rich sports history which many schools lack.

One such contributor was Jack Ryan. A counselor and coach at Lincoln for 26 years, Ryan died while coaching an American Legion baseball game in 1988. Now the only memorial to Ryan, a scholar-athlete award for female basketball players (which was discontinued after 1991-92), lies buried in the trophy case in the main hall.

With all the space available in the school trophy cases and the fundraising resources around the school, we can surely create a sports hall of fame.

We should honor our athletic past. Instituting a hall of fame will serve this purpose nicely. The Louie Cereghinos of the world deserve it.

Marcie Epperson

Smooth sailing: Junior Lindsay Hafner is swimming towards a top place finish in the PIL on her way to Nationals.

Girls swimming at top of District

Led by senior Lauren Thies, the Cards race towards District with the league's best times

BY MIKHAEL ROMAIN

The girls' swim team has swept the PIL with an undefeated record.

The Cards have the league's top times in every event this season and the top three in six out of eight individual events.

Senior Lauren Thies, who is missing national competition to race with her team at State, leads the girls with the fastest PIL- times in the freestyle, 200m individual medley, 100m butterfly, and 100m breaststroke.

Junior Lindsay Hafner backs Thies in the freestyle, 200m individaul medley and has the fastest time in the 100m backstroke. Unlike her Olympic-hopeful teammate, Hafner plans on racing at Nationals this February, and will miss the District competition.

Remaining in the Cards' arsenal are freshmen Rachel Pound and Lindsay Jansen, sophomores Mandy Achterman and Katie Jurgenson, and junior Lorna Illingworth. They should help lift the girls in the District competition on Feb. 7 and 8 at Dishman Pool.

Head swim coach Doug Morten said he isn't making any predictions for the District meet, despite being weighed as the heavy favorites.

"I think the girls will try their hardest," said Morten. "Districts are where we want to swim our fastest times of the season."

THE YOUNG & THE RESTLESS

JV and freshman squads

JV GIRLS B-BALL

With a 56-18 win against Marshall last Thursday and a 57-23 win at home against Franklin, the JV girls basketball team holds a record of 9-1.

The team is led by sophomores Rachel Trytko, Ali Benben, and Kara Magee-Arick, and freshman Janae Potter. "The girls are playing much better," said coach Mark Paul. "They've come a long way since the beginning of the year."

BY BEN AMSTER

JV BOYS B-BALL

The JV boys basketball team hopes to improve on its 2-6 record today against Benson. The boys fought their way to the second win of the year by defeating Marshall 73-71 at Lincoln in a sizzling overtime win last Thursday.

The boys suffered their sixth loss of the year last Friday at Franklin. The team is led by sophomores Ben Franceschi and Jeff Starr.

BY MARK HWEE

Marcie Epperson

Stay on target: Freshman Anne Tattam sets up for another shot in practice. The frosh girls are 8-3.

FROSH GIRLS B-BALL

The freshman girl's basketball team currently holds an 8-3 record for the season. The Cards defeated Marshall last Thursday 46-11 at home and beat Franklin last Friday. Team leaders include Anne Tattam, Alana Aaron, and Emily Angell.

"The girls have really come along and learned to play as a team," said coach Sophia Alexander.

BY REX PUTERBAUGH

JV WRESTLING

Coming off losses to Franklin and Wilson, the JV wrestling team continues towards another losing season.

"We're going to win it," said coach Mike Ives. "We're getting better every day, but we need more wrestlers."

The team has had a history of not having enough wrestlers to fill all the weight classes, this year being no exception. The team is lacking wrestlers in four out of the nine total weight classes, the main ones being the 126 lb. and 185 lb. weight classes.

BY LIAM McGRANAHAN

FROSH BOYS B-BALL

The freshman boys basketball team came away with a 52-43 win against Marshall last Thursday and a 63-42 win at Franklin last Friday, for a 6-4 record for the year.

Tomorrow the boys will go head-to-head against the Techmen at Benson.

Team leaders for the freshman include Skyler Chamberlin and Jonathan Malsin. "I'm proud of my boys," said coach Jerry Dalton. "They've done really well this year."

BY BEN AMSTER

IN THE ZONE

STAR ATHLETES

LINDSAY HAFNER swim

Junior Lindsay Hafner won't be able to compete at State for the undefeated Cardinal swim team due to the National competition, which falls on the same day. She has the top-PIL time in the 100 m backstroke and second-best in the freestyle and 200 m individual medley, both behind senior Lauren Thies.

Hafner has been competing for six years after learning how to swim when she was only two. In the off season, when she's not swimming for Lincoln, she trains with the Multnomah Athletic Club team.

ABE RIEKE skiing

After placing seventh in the slalom at State last year, sophomore Abe Rieke hopes to continue as the ski team's top finisher. After learning how to ski at age two, Rieke has been competing for 11 years and always looks forward to a "good powder" day.

Rieke has continued his success this year with a fourth-place finish at Meadows Jan. 11 in the giant slalom, the first race of the season. He won the second giant slalom at Ski Bowl last weekend.

ANNIE DAVIS b-ball

Junior Annie Davis has been the starting shooting guard for the varsity girls basketball team for the past two seasons. Last year she helped lift the Cards, currently 5-2, to a fifth-place finish at State.

She began playing basketball in fifth grade with a Goldenball team, and since has become a team leader. Davis is also star runner for the cross country and track teams, lettering five times combined in both.

In addition to running track this year, she is considering trying out for the golf team in the spring.

CALENDAR

cardinal events

Today

J.V. girls basketball @ Benson, 4 p.m.
J.V. boys basketball vs. Benson, 4:15 p.m.
Varsity girls basketball @ Benson, 5:45 p.m.
Diving @ PCC, 7 p.m.
Frosh wrestling @ Sandy, 3:30 p.m.

Friday

J.V. swimming District Meet @ Dishman, 5 p.m.
Varsity girls basketball @ Roosevelt, 5:45 p.m.
Varsity boys basketball @ Roosevelt, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 3

Frosh wrestling District @ Grant, 4 p.m.
JV girls basketball vs. Marshall, 5:45 p.m.
Varsity girls basketball vs. Marshall, 7:30 p.m.

FANTASY BASKETBALL

Staff Contestants

Mark Brazo - 16071
Richard McPartland - 13946
Stephen Runion - 13842
John Bogue - 13524
Josh Pomeroy - 12915
Paul Erickson - 11587
John Fraser - 11154

Top 30 Students

Swami - 15874
Joel Sahli - 15306
Aaron Green - 14532
Jules Bailey - 14448
Rex Puterbaugh - 14186
Joel Fowlks - 14060
Todd Merkens - 13865
Chris Ruecker - 13695
Marcie Epperson - 13684
Bill Foote - 13660
David Sachtler - 13602
Matthew Wade - 13584
Meghan McCarthy - 13557
Daniel Lerner - 13520
Ford Montgomery - 13454
Colin Powell - 13381
Ben Amster - 13344
Eddie Schauffler - 13337
Srdan Radanovic - 13321
Chris Braun - 13269
Clive Mbanga - 13245
Jeff Chaney - 13203
Geoff Hendricks - 13202
Aaron Knott - 13164
Kevin Cunningham - 13012
Tyke Carkonen - 12925
Jihad Qutub - 12918
Molly Franz - 12908
Robbie Greenman - 12854
Lach Litwer - 12816

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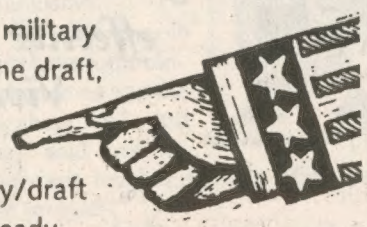

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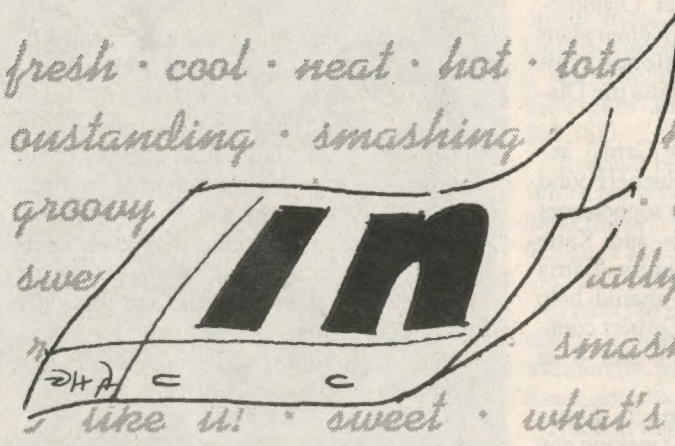
As the end of the first month of the new year approaches, it becomes apparent that many of last year's most popular people, places, and things have been replaced for 1997. The Cardinal Times would like to help you get caught up on what's...



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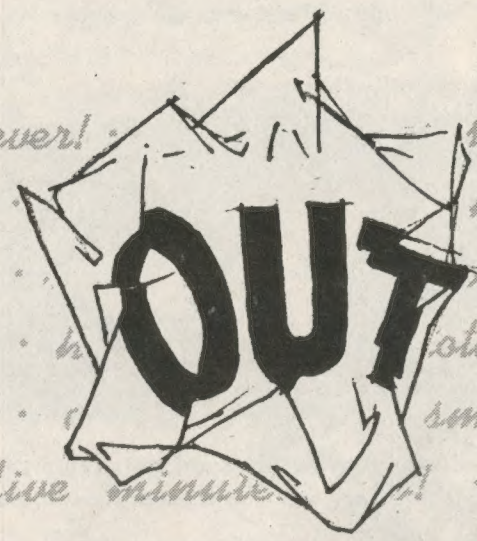


COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR
The same quality, half the price, and maybe 200 other people won't have the exact same jacket.

THE NORTH FACE
Can we say trendy?

"STAR WARS"
Thank you, George Lucas. Need we say more?

"STAR TREK"
Dated, corny and boring.

KLEENEX
Thanks to Oregon voters and budget cuts, we still don't have to worry about finding the box.

LOWER PROPERTY TAXES
Hey, at least voters can save money now and worry about the state of education later.

ENERGIZER
Good commercials, too bad the batteries leak.

DURACELL
Annoying commercials, good batteries.

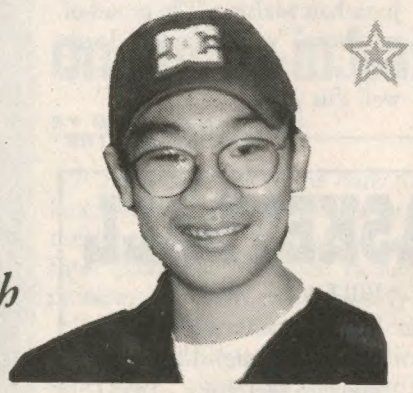
ALANIS MORISSETTE
It's like being popular for a month and then everybody hates you. Isn't it ironic?

MADONNA
Here she comes again, baby and all.

COYOTE GRILL
New and creative, even if inedible.

TRAINING TABLE
Pasta, ravioli, spaghetti - oh my!

CLOTHES THAT FIT
Wear 'em right.



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